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TO: Honorable Council President and Members of the City Council

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SUBJECT: Items 333 and 334 on Preparation of Ballot Measures Information

On Tuesday, August 1, the City Council will consider two items directing the preparation of ballot measure information for the November 2006 election. These items direct the preparation of information to be provided in the voter pamphlets for this election. As presented on the City Council Meeting agenda, if approved, the City Attorney will develop the ballot title, summary and impartial analysis. The Mayor will develop the fiscal impact analysis and determine who will author and sign the ballot argument.

To place these actions in context, the content of the two ballot measures, one on Retirement Benefit Increases and the other on Managed Competition, was approved by a vote of 7-1 by the City Council on March 27, 2006. Also on March 27, the City Council unanimously approved direction to the Mayor and City Attorney to develop and draft implementing ordinances that would fully execute the appropriate procedures and regulations for the Managed Competition ballot measure, should it be approved by the voters.

Staff from the Mayor's and City Attorney's Office reported to the Committee on Rules, Open Government, and Intergovernmental Relations on July 26, 2006, providing a draft of implementing ordinances for both measures. Staff reported that meet and confer has commenced on the ordinances. The Rules Committee voted unanimously to receive the report of the staff and refer the item to closed session for updates on negotiations and to the IBA to provide input for further development. It is intended that the final agreed-upon language of the implementing ordinances would return to open session at or around the end of September, consistent with direction from the City Council on March 27.